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1. FROM AP STORY RE "BALTIMORE SUN" GUAT CORRESPONDENT, PATRICK GATLING,
AND OTHER U.S. REPORTERS IN GUAT, SINCE JUNE 8, COULDN'T GET OUT STORIES RE
TRUE CONDITION GUAT. REPORT RS GOT TOGETHER, CONCOCTED COMMIE LINE STORY,
SO COMMIE IT WAS CARICATURE, SENT THRU OFFICIAL CHANNELS AND WAS RELAYED
ANY ^{TO RIBONS}
WITHOUT CHANGE ¹ TO BALTIMORE. ALL PREVIOUS DISPATCHES HAD BEEN CUT BY GOVT.
UNQUOTE.

2. DO NOT EXPLOIT ABOVE UNLESS APPEARS LOCALLY, OR CAN FABRICATE GOOD
COVER ON HOW STORY PICKED UP, HOWEVER, IF STORY APPEARS, HQS SUGGESTS FOL-
LOWING TREATMENT:

A. C J CITE AS CLEARING-HH COMMIE CONTROL, HUMOROUS, BUT TRAGIC
IN VIEW FATE EDITORS INDEPENDENT PRESS WHO IMPRISONED, HIDING
OR IN EXILE. TRY GET INTERAMERICAN PRESS ASSN ISSUE STATEMENT
OR GET CALIGERIS GROUP, OTHER MECH, PLACE PAID APPEAL LOCAL
PRESS TO INT AM PRESS ASSN.

B. C J PLAY AS NEWS STORY ADDING INFO LOCALLY AVAILABLE RE GUAT

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PRESS CENSORSHIP TO LEAVE DEFINITE IMPRESSION RUTHLESS COMMIE CRACKDOWN, THINGS SO BAD GUAT, CAN'T AFFORD LET TRUTH OUT.

C. J THRU APPROPRIATE MECH, THIS IS SAME OLD COMMIE ROUTINE, CREATE TERROR, ARM RABBLE, CUT OFF ALL OUTSIDE COMMUNICATION, ATTEMPT CONSOLIDATE CONTROL UNDER GUISE "DEFENCE". ALL THINKING PEOPLE NO LONGER CAN DOUBT COMMIE CONTROL.

D. J IF POSSIBLE, PLAY UP FREEDOM GIVEN COMMIE PRESS MONT AND CONTRAST WITH TREATMENT PRESS IN GUAT. CITE PRESS SITUATION AS OBJECT LESSON THOSE WHO BELIEVE COMMIE INTERVENTION IS SOMETHING TO LET YANKEES WORRY ABOUT. GUAT COMPLACENCY ONE CAUSE CURRENT SITUATION WHERE ONLY COMMIE STORY CAN BE PRESENTED.

E. J PLAY AS SPOT RADIO ANNOUNCEMENT, PICK UP IF POSSIBLE CARRYING THEME: ONE COMMIE LINES GET THROUGH.

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